SPECIAL OPEN DOOR FORUM ON COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION FOR CERTAIN DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, PROSTHETICS, ORTHOTICS, and SUPPLIES

December 19, 2007 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM (EST) CONFERENCE CALL ONLY

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will be hosting a Special Open Door Forum (ODF) on December 19, 2007. The purpose of the call is to announce:

- The deadline by which all DMEPOS suppliers will need to be accredited and;
- The deadline by which all new DMEPOS suppliers will need to be accredited.

This forum will be followed up with a series of conference calls to educate DMEPOS suppliers and referral agents on the accreditation process.

This ODF will be conducted as an adjunct to a meeting of the DMEPOS competitive bidding Program Advisory and Oversight Committee (PAOC). If you wish to attend the meeting on PAOC you must register. For more information about PAOC, please visit the CMS website at

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/CompetitiveAcqforDMEPOS/PAOCMI/list.asp#TopOfPage.

We look forward to your participation.

Open Door Participation Instructions:

Dial: 1-800-837-1935 & Reference Conference ID: 27829970

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An audio recording of this special forum will be posted to the Special Open Door Forum website at http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OpenDoorForums/05 ODF SpecialODF.asp and will be accessible for downloading beginning December 27, 2007.

For Forum Schedule updates, Listserv registration and Frequently Asked Questions please visit our website at www.cms.hhs.gov/OpenDoorForums/.